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Applicant: Yawata, et al.)
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed January 22, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.